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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Inspector General

**SUBJECT:** Reimbursement for Dependent's Travel Expenses for Medical Treatment -- [redacted]

**REFERENCE:** Memo dtd 4 Feb 57 to IG fr [redacted] same subject, fded to AID/S by routing [redacted] 12 Feb 57

1. My approval of reimbursement to [redacted] for the cost of round-trip Pan American flight between [redacted] for his dependent wife was not based on any assumption that the Agency was responsible for all the travel and transportation expenses of his wife to the hospital at [redacted]. At that time all personnel throughout the world assumed personal responsibility for travel, doctor's bills, and hospitalization expenses for their dependents. However, we recognized that in most locations travel was never a problem because of the proximity of suitable hospitals and, in many posts, [redacted] craft as a service rather than a right. Therefore, in view of the hardship location [redacted] and the non-availability of [redacted] aircraft (for which subject had been advised he could utilize), approval for cost of commercial air was given solely to equate the facilities available to many other personnel with the situation with which claimant was faced in an isolated area.

2. It is difficult enough to find a basis for the transportation costs except as stated above, but I cannot equate subsistence expenses because at that time medical evacuees (dependents) were not paid per diem except when travel was directed by the Government for the convenience of the Government. I refer to such cases as advance return to the United States for medical reasons. Even in those cases the entitlements are not for medical travel but only related to the employee's travel, i.e., the employee's return upon completion of assignment.

3. Accordingly, I can find no legal basis for the payment of per diem as claimed.

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